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# **Title I Updates**

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#### WELCOME BACK!

We hope you had a safe and relaxing holiday break.

We have two exciting happenings to announce this month -

- 1. **Title I Successes:** We loved sharing information about our Distinguished Schools in December and want to share more great things happening around the state. If you would like to see your corporation or school featured in a Title I Update, please email rhavey@doe.in.gov or atharp@doe.in.gov with information about your Title I
- Title I Summit: We have booked Dr. Tim Shanahan as our keynote for our Title I Summit in June! Title I building and central office staff are invited to our Title I Summit on June 19<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis. More information regarding the location and lodging options will be coming out soon.

#### TITLE I - GRANTS MANAGEMENT INFORMATION:

#### Amendments:

Amendment period for 2013-2014 Part A and Part D is open at this time.

#### Supplement, Not Supplant Regulation:

Title I and Title III Supplement, not Supplant regulation ensures that children participating in federal programs receive their fair share of services from state and local funds. The services supported by Title I and Title III must supplement the educational services that would be provided to students in the absence of Title I or Title III. The LEA cannot use federal funds to supplant (take the place of) funds that would, in the absence of Title I or Title III funds, have been spent on limited English proficient (LEP) students to meet the Lau requirements (LAS Links testing, creation of Individual Learning Plans, first and only language development, and translation at teacher/parent conferences).

**IDOE CLOSED:** Monday, January 20

In observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Waiver Corner Focus and Priority Schools

#### Student Achievement Plans

for 2012-2013 Focus and Priority schools are due to Outreach by February 1

For more information, visit: **IDOE Outreach IDOE** Flexibility Waiver

#### INDIANAPOLIS AREA COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT OPPORTUNITY

The Junior League of Indianapolis will be awarding five \$25,000 grants in April.

Funding programs or initiatives must fall within the JLI's current focus area of preparing students for academic success by:

- Providing families with knowledge and resources to guide their children toward academic success and/or
- Equipping students, families, and education providers with age-appropriate educational materials.

Applications can be found at www.jlindy.org and must be received by 4:30 p.m. on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities:** 

### Monthly PD Webinars Starting in **January! Tentative Schedule:**

- Jan: Distinguished Schools Highlights
- Feb: Title I Leadership
- Mar: Title I and Title III
- Apr: RTI
- May: Special Populations/Equity

2014 National Title I Conference -February 2-5 – The San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, CA - Click Here

SIG 1003(g) PD Session - February 12 - IDOE Offices, Indianapolis, IN

Best Practice Showcase - Saturday, March 1st from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Pope John Paul II Center and Doermer Family Center, Ft. Wayne, IN - St. Francis University Click Here

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# Topic of the Month – Lessons Learned through Monitoring Visits

## **IDOE On-Site Monitoring Feedback**

The IDOE is required by the United States Department of Education to monitor Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) for compliance with the use of federal funding. In this newsletter major findings (items out of compliance) along with the consequences for LEAs that have been monitored on-site in the last year will be shared. The purpose of this guidance is for LEAs to adjust and improve their Title I, A federal program and to meet compliance requirements.

The first topic is **Supplement, not Supplant**. This requirement ensures that children participating in federal programs receive their fair share of services from state and local funds. The services supported by Title I must supplement the educational services that would be provided to students in the absence of Title I. The LEA cannot use federal funds to supplant (take the place of) funds that would, in the absence of Title I funds, have been spent on Title I students. The following were instances of supplanting found during on-site monitoring in the last year:

- 1. **Finding:** Title I funds were used to provide services that are required to be made available under other federal, state, or local laws. *Title I funds cannot be used to take the place of services required for students with disabilities or limited English proficient students.*
- 2. **Finding:** Personnel paid with Title I funds were providing services to non-Title I students in a Targeted Assistance School (TAS). Personnel paid with Title I funds can only provide services to eligible Title I students in a TAS, as determined by a student selection process.
- 3. **Finding:** Equipment, technology, supplies and books purchased with Title I funds in a TAS were used by non-Title I students. *Items purchased with Title I funds must only be used by and for the benefit of identified Title I students*.
- 4. **Finding:** Title I funds were used to purchase core instructional materials, such as reading curriculum. *Using Title I funds to purchase core instructional materials is a district responsibility, even in a schoolwide program. Title I funds may be used to purchase supplemental curriculum.*

#### Misuse of Title I funds, such as in supplanting, could result in the following:

- 1. A "charge back" from the LEA's general fund to the LEA's Title I fund for the amount of misused funds; or
- 2. A "pay back" from the LEA's general fund to the Indiana Department of Education for the amount of misused funds; and
- 3. A recommendation for reassignment of personnel and an immediate reassignment of Title I services, equipment, technology and/or supplies.

Additional guidance on the Supplement, Not Supplant regulation can be found in the <u>Learning Connection</u>:

IDOE-Title I Community / Files and Bookmarks / Fiscal Information (Comparability, Supplement/Supplant, Final Allocations, etc.)

/Title I Fiscal Handbook